



## **BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001**

### **Otter Tail , Minnesota [27111]**

Otter Tail is one of 87 counties in Minnesota. It is part of the Fergus Falls, MN Micropolitan SA. Its 2001 population of 57,093 ranked 14th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2001 Otter Tail had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$23,690. This PCPI ranked 58th in the state and was 73 percent of the state average, \$32,631, and 77 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.3 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 1.9 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Otter Tail was \$15,161 and ranked 61st in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2001 Otter Tail had a total personal income (TPI) of \$1,352,534\*. This TPI ranked 16th in the state and accounted for 0.8 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Otter Tail was \$777,469\* and ranked 15th in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 3.2 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.9 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.1 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Otter Tail. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 54.5 percent of TPI (compared with 56.3 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 25.8 percent (compared with 24.0 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 19.6 percent (compared with 19.7 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings decreased 0.7 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 7.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 10.2 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 5.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 6.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.7 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Otter Tail decreased from \$749,012\* in 2000 to \$739,664\* in 2001, a decrease of 1.2 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 3.0 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$465,878\* to the 2001 estimate was 4.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.3 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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